

SUMTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

SUBJECT: Sumter County Highway Safety Program Task Order (staff recommends approval)
REQUESTED ACTION: Board action

☐ Work Session (Report Only) **DATE OF MEETING:** 9/27/2011
☒ Regular Meeting ☐ Special Meeting

CONTRACT: ☐ N/A Vendor/Entity: Volkert, Inc
Effective Date: 10/3/2011 Termination Date: 8/31/2012
Managing Division / Dept: Public Works Division/Engineering

BUDGET IMPACT: \$40,000
☒ Annual **FUNDING SOURCE:** CTT
☐ Capital **EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT:** 103-340-541-3100
☐ N/A

HISTORY/FACTS/ISSUES:

Sumter County has many old and narrow roads with potentially hazardous conditions adjacent to them. Sumter County is a rural county, and rural counties typically have a higher fatality rate, experience more speeding fatalities, lower seat belt usage, and more impaired driving fatalities than urban areas. Additionally the MPO has identified the intersections in the County with the highest accident rate. FDOT has a Safety Program with funds available in grant form, which require local governments to follow their procedures in order to obtain them.

The Public Works Division recommends the creation of a Sumter County Highway Safety Program to identify and prioritize high crash road segments/locations and intersections, and locations that have high potential for accidents, and develop solutions to correct them. This would include seeking Safety Funds allocated to FDOT from Federal Traffic Safety Funds, and County funding.

PWD also recommends creation of the Traffic Safety Work Group (TSWG) with members from local government agencies, to coordinate safety efforts.

See attached proposal from Volkert, Inc, to assist in the development of the Sumter County Highway Safety Program, preparation of the prioritized list of projects, and assistance forming the TSWG. Staff recommends approval.

This task order is funded in the FY12 CTT budget. The Purchase Order to support this task order is also on the agenda for this BOCC meeting, under the Financial Section.
